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ORIGINAL SITE

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dudley G. Roe House stands on the east side of Md. Rt. 313 on the south end of town. It is a large rectangular 2 1/2 story frame building with a small two-story back wing. It is one of two houses in Sudlersville with a porte-cochere, both located on the side of the building.

Its west facade is three bays long with a Doric columned porch extending across its facade plus the porte-cochere. In the center of the porch is a low pediment. The facade itself has a central entrance with sidelights. The door is glazed with beveled glass and the sidelights have smaller square panes of leaded clear glass. The door and sidelights are separate by simple pilasters. Flanking the entrance are two sets of 3-windows with 6/6 sash. On the second story are two pair of windows flanking the central set of 3 windows with 4/4 sash. In the west pitch of the 'A' roof are 3 pedimented dormers with 6/6 sash. From the south gable rises one brick chimney.

The south gable has two windows flanking the interior chimney and a projected area east thereof.

#### CONTINUATION SHEET

#### 7.1 DESCRIPTION

Both the main gable and the gable of the projected area terminate in a pediment, the former having a palladian window in the third story.

The interior plan consists of a central stair hall with the living room and dining room on the south, and originally one large room on the north. (The latter has now been converted into an apartment). The dining room and room above extend into the projection on the south gable. East of the dining room is a back stair, lavatory, kitchen, and enclosed porch. South of the kitchen is a family room, built in 1980.

There was originally a separate stair from the kitchen to the room above for a servant. This was removed and the room was made accessible from the back stair around 1950. The lavatory was originally a pantry.

The original trim is plain with a band around the outside. Original doors have five horizontal panels. French doors now between the living room and hall were originally between the living room and dining room. The living room retains its original massive stone fireplace.

The stair has a large turned newel with vase finial at the base of the flared steps. There are square balusters on the open string stair. Beneath the stair is a telephone seat. At the first landing is a bay window with seats, and the windows have leaded glass.

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### 7.2 DESCRIPTION

On the second story is a wide central corridor and four bedrooms and two baths. A fifth bedroom is located above the kitchen.

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Dudley G. Roe, democrat, represented Maryland's first district in Congress from 1945 to 1947. He represented Queen Anne's County in the Maryland House of Delegates from 1907 to 1909, and served four terms in the Maryland Senate from 1923 to 1935 and from 1939 to 1943. He was educated in law and was involved in the grain business. He was also President of the Sudlersville Bank between 1928-1968.

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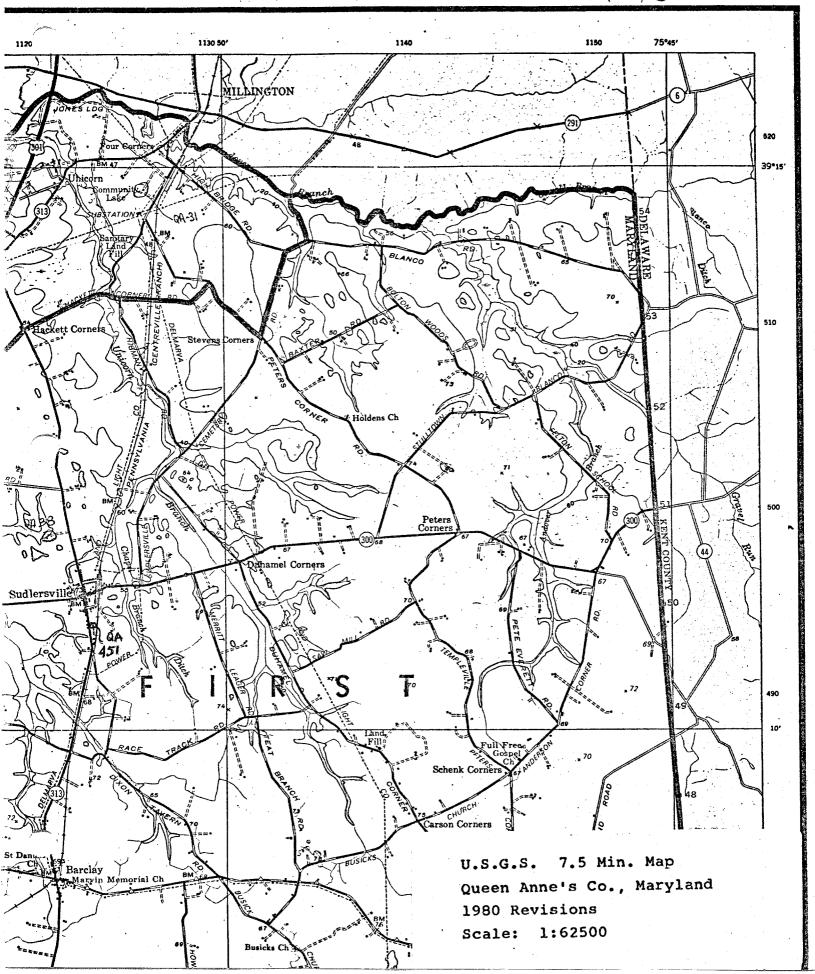
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